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AmeriCorps VIP Program Now Recruiting for 2014-2015 Service Term through Cal Poly

SAN LUIS OBISPO — The AmeriCorps Volunteer Infrastructure Project (VIP) Program is recruiting VIP Fellows for the 2014-15 Service Term through Cal Poly's Center for Community Engagement.

AmeriCorps Members serve 1,700 hours over an 11-month period. The upcoming term runs from September 2014 through July 2015.

VIP members are placed at a variety of nonprofit agencies throughout San Luis Obispo and northern Santa Barbara counties. During their service term, members receive a living stipend and are eligible for loan forbearance and subsidized childcare. Upon completion, members receive an education award that can be used to pay for college tuition and other education programs or to repay outstanding student loans.

"AmeriCorps gives members the opportunity to work directly with people in the community and with local leaders to make new and better policies," said Tucker Brofft, a current AmeriCorps member working at Cal Poly's Center for Community Engagement. "AmeriCorps helps bridge the gap between community members and needed resources. I personally get the privilege to help others and make a difference in the world around me. It has taught me professional skills and life lessons."

The AmeriCorps Program is looking for passionate individuals eager to positively contribute to our community, as well as grow personally and professionally. For more information about the AmeriCorps VIP Program, stop by the Cal Poly Center for Community Engagement in Room 217 of the University Union, or contact the program at vipamericorps@gmail.com or 805-756-5338.

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